



Las Palmas-Ponderosa Lodge No. 366, F. & A. M.



# The Las Palmian

Legacy Chapter No. 555 Order of Easter Star  
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## Greetings from the East



Hello all,

I want to start out thanking Worshipful Chuck Bersani for stepping up and filling the open hole of Senior Warden. It shows his dedication to the lodge, not only does he teach us, he joins us. Thank you, Worshipful Bersani.

I want to congratulate our new entered apprentice, John Wilson, on receiving his first degree. I wish I could have had the opportunity to be there, but hopefully that will be the last one I miss.

We have new petitions to vote on at the stated meeting which means more degrees for the officers to do. It feels good to be busy once again. We have our stated meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup> and it would be nice to see many of you there. There are a lot of brothers I haven't seen in a while and it would be nice to catch up.

There is going to be a memorial remembrance for Joshua Crane on July 8, 2023, more details will be forth coming.

I hope to see you all soon,

Fraternally,

Ryan Marrett

Worshipful Master



From the West,

Hello Brethren and greetings from the West.

I want to thank the lodge for allowing me to serve as Senior Warden. Hopefully we will be able to make quick work of the back log of candidates and get everyone on their way to their next degree or their first degree.

The lodge is busy with new candidates and even more petitions. It feels so nice to be busy once again after the long layoff with the pandemic. We are making strong strides to getting caught up.

Please remember that when we have degrees and you are notified, please try to attend. The officers can always use help and they perform better with an audience. Remember when you first joined and all of the sideliners that were there to witness it? It would be really nice to see that again.

I will see you in Lodge!

Fraternally,  
Chuck Bersani PM  
Senior Warden



From the South:

Greetings Brethren,

Salutations from the South,

I want to start by saying that I have really missed being at Lodge,

I am looking forward to returning and getting back to work conferring degrees.

I look forward to seeing you all again at our next stated meeting.

Joshua Barkley  
Junior Warden

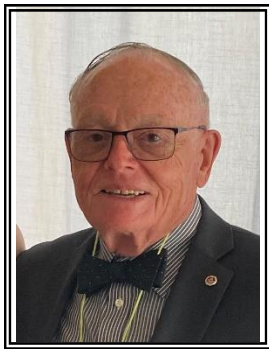


## June Birthday's

David	Pitts		1
John	Gandy		2
William	Lee		2
Raymond	Reyes		2
Justin	Robinson		2
Hamo	Hamamjian		4
Vernon	Gaylord		5
Richard	Hopper	PGM	5
Devin	Hanson		7
Curtis	Jack	PM	8
Henry	Howard		10
Joseph	Perry	IV	11
Dwayne	Farrow		14
Terrance	Haun	II	15
Milburn	Holt		15
Richard	Mets		16
Allen	Munroe	Jr.	16
Nicholas	Ionescu		17
William	Lyons	PM	17
Michael	Sahakian		17
Alan	Steven		17
Joshua	Hughes		18
James	Welch		18
Anthony	Rodriguez		21
Daniel	Valdez		25
Brian	Lee		26
Dennis	Ward		26
Albert	Petersen		27

*"The good men who come to our meetings invest life's most valuable asset: their time. We must welcome all of them, especially our new members, and we must speak to them as brothers. Every member, not just officers, should see this as a duty. Our members pay attention. It matters."*





### **From the Archives:**

Our Las Palmas widows club planned a two-day bus trip on Nov. 12-13, 1984. The trip included a tour of our children's home in Covina, Universal Studio, and the J. Paul Getty Museum. Overnight lodging would be aboard the Queen Mary at Long Beach Harbor. The cost per person was \$80.00. That would be about \$225.00 in today's dollars. Still sounds to me like a good deal. I am sure that they had lots of fun.

In our October, 1984 Trestleboard, our Secretary, Bob Paden, wrote in his article: At our last stated meeting a resolution was introduced to increase our dues from \$30.00 a year to \$36.00 a year. The finance committee reported that a study had been made and the amount of dues now being received would pay the bills of the lodge through September of each year, it being necessary to get extra money from the Trustees to remain solvent for the last three months of the year. The dues increase will produce about \$5,000.00, which will take care of expenses for the last three months and will help keep our savings account intact for more important purposes.

If a \$6.00 increase in dues would raise about \$5,000.00, then we must have had over 900 paying members in 1984. I do not know what the Grand Lodge assessment was back in 1984, but today, out of our \$140 in dues, just under half goes to our Grand Lodge Assessment. Thanks to the hard work of our Secretary, Bryan Kincade, and our Treasurer, Richard Ehorn, our Lodge expenses have been kept down so the Lodge has not asked the Trustees for any money for the past 3 years.

Here is something that I have totally forgotten. When members got their dues receipt for 1985 they found enclosed in the envelope a round decal which was to be attached to the rear window of their car. This would be a visible sign that they had paid their dues for 1985, and also may be a signal to persons who have been thinking about masonry to stop you to ask about becoming a member. While we cannot ask a person to be a Mason, we can still advertise.

A Layman's Night was held at Las Palmas Lodge on Thursday, May 23, 1985 and all non-masons were invited to attend with their wives. A dinner was served at 6:30 p.m. and prospective members were admitted free. The wives had to pay for their meal, as will members of the lodge. Following the dinner was a special program to explain masonry to those not acquainted with the fraternity. Brother Leland T. Peterson, representing the Grand Lodge of California was in charge of the meeting.

Happy June!

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*We have many brothers who need your support, be it their wives or family members, a call, a note or stop by just to remind them we are there for them in their time of need.*

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Please notify the Lodge if our Brother is hospitalized, in a Nursing home, change of Address or incapacitated.

From the Desk of the Secretary,

Hello all,

Congratulations to Brother John Wilson for becoming our newest Entered Apprentice. He received his first-degree last Thursday. We are finally getting busier which is nice to see.

If you haven't been to lodge in a while, now is the time to come, you can welcome our new candidates and impart to them your Masonic wisdom. I will send out emails for degree work.

See you in lodge.

Bryan Kincade PM, Secretary

**June Calendar**

6-1	TBD	7:00 PM
6-8	2 <sup>nd</sup> Degree	7:30 PM
6-15	Practice	7:00 PM
6-29	Third Degree	7:30 PM



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